

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended): A digital camera system comprising a digital camera and a cradle unit, said digital camera being capable of selecting one of modes including a data transfer mode for transferring image data to an external apparatus and an external display mode for displaying the image data on external display means; said cradle unit comprising a receiving portion on which said digital camera is received, a connection terminal to be connected to said digital camera upon receiving said digital camera, a power-supply portion for supplying an electric power to said digital camera, a data output port for transferring said image data to said external apparatus, and an external-display output port for outputting said image data to said external display means, said digital camera system comprising:

an operation-code generator provided in said cradle unit, said operation-code generator generating an operation code for operating said external display means; and

a transmitter provided in said cradle unit, said transmitter sending said operation code to said external display means in a wireless manner, and said operation code being sent so as to put said external display means in an external input condition, under which the image is able to be displayed, when said digital camera placed in said cradle unit selects said external display mode,

wherein

when the external display means receives the operation code, the external display means selects to receive data from an external input apparatus.

2. (Original) A digital camera system according to claim 1, wherein said operation-code generator generates said operation code as an analog signal.

3. (Original) A digital camera system according to claim 2, wherein said transmitter comprises:

a transparent cover fitted to said cradle unit; and
a light emitting element disposed inside said transparent cover, said light emitting element being connected to said operation-code generator to emit an infrared signal in accordance with the analog signal of said operation code.

4. (Original) A digital camera system according to claim 3, wherein said light emitting element is an infrared light emitting diode.

5. (Original) A digital camera system according to claim 4, wherein said external display means is one of a TV monitor, a projector and a liquid crystal display.

6-17. (canceled).

18. (original): A cradle unit for a digital camera, said digital camera being capable of selecting one of modes including a data transfer mode for transferring image data to an external

apparatus and an external display mode for displaying the image data on external display means, said cradle unit comprising:

- a receiving portion for receiving said digital camera;
- a connection terminal to be connected to said digital camera;
- a power-supply portion for supplying an electric power to said digital camera;
- a data output port for transferring said image data to said external apparatus;
- an external-display output port for outputting said image data to said external display

means;

an operation-code generator for generating an operation code for operating said external display means; and

a transmitter for sending said operation code to said external display means in a wireless manner, said operation code being sent so as to put said external display means in an external input condition, under which the image is able to be displayed, when said digital camera placed in said receiving portion is set to the external display mode.

19. (previously presented): A digital camera system according to claim 1, wherein an input side of the operation code generator is connected to the connection terminal.

20. (previously presented): A digital camera system according to claim 1, wherein when said digital camera placed in said cradle unit selects said external display mode, an operation signal for activating the operation code generator is sent through the connection terminal.

21. (new): A digital camera system according to claim 1, wherein when the external display means receives the operation code, the external display means selects to receive the image data from the digital camera through a video output connector of the cradle unit, wherein the video output connector is connected to the external display means.

22. (new): A digital camera system according to claim 1, wherein the external display means selects to receive National Television System Committee (NTSC) composite signals from the external input apparatus.

23. (new): A digital camera system according to claim 1, wherein the cradle unit transmits the operation code through a light emitter and transmits that image data through a video connector, wherein the light emitter and the video connector are different.

24. (new): A digital camera system according to claim 1, wherein the operation code turns on power supply of the external display means.